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moon. Visiting brethren invited.  
J. McDAIRMID, W. M.  
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**The Weekly Mail**  
Is published every Thursday in time for the  
mail leaving Brandon that day, and will contain  
full telegraphic and market reports and a full  
summary of all local, Provincial and Dominion  
news and carefully written editorials upon all  
public questions.  
Subscription, \$2.00 per year when paid in ad-  
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may be estimated at 10 words, or the one-twelfth  
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Loans on improved farms rapidly pushed through.  
Glucose moderate. Cash advanced.  
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## NOTICE.

Is hereby given that application will be made  
to the Legislature of the Province of Manitoba,  
at the next Session thereof for an act to incor-  
porate a Railway Company to be called the  
"Rock Lake and Brandon Railway" to run  
from a point at or near the International Bound-  
ary in township one Range eleven, or twelve,  
west of the first principal in the Province of  
Manitoba, thence North-Westerly to the City of  
Brandon.  
Dated at Brandon, 1st Jan. 1884.  
T. MAYNE DALY, Jr.,  
Solicitor for application.

## New City Bakery

**Mr. BASENACHE,**  
was opened a Bakery near the Rear of the  
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**IS LEAVEN FOR 81.**  
Very best flour, and 25c per bag.  
Satisfaction guaranteed.

## Pocketbook Lost.

ON the Curry's Landing trail on Friday after-  
noon, 25th of Sept. a large fair-leather pocket-  
book, containing some money and papers.  
Any person finding the same will be suitably  
rewarded on returning same to Merchant's Bank,  
Brandon.  
N. W. C. BAUGH



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**UNDERTAKER.**  
HAS REMOVED TO  
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Only Hearse in the city in connection.  
Orders by telegraph receive prompt attention.

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RIC TERTIARY NECKLACES. They are  
better than all the No-thing Straps in Christen-  
dom. They give no shocks and are comfortable.  
Price 50 cents. Sold by all druggists. Ask for  
them and take no other.

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Capital, Paid up, - - - \$5,700,000.  
Reserve Fund, - - - 1,100,000.

Head Office, Montreal.

President:—ANDREW ALLAN.

General Manager:—GEORGE HAGUE.

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Winnipeg, Emerson, Brandon.

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Bankers in Great Britain:—The Clydesdale Bank  
London, Glasgow and elsewhere.  
Bankers in New York:—The Bank of New York  
Bankers in St. Paul:—The First National Bank  
Bankers in Minneapolis:—The Security Bank of  
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## BRANDON BRANCH.

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This Bank transacts a General Banking Busi-  
ness.  
Money received on deposit and current rate of  
interest allowed.  
Drafts issued available to all parts of Canada  
and the United States, and Sterling Drafts issued  
available at all points in Great Britain.  
Highest rate paid for Sterling Drafts and Let-  
ters of Credit.  
Particular attention paid to collections for  
banks and private parties.



## INTERNATIONAL & COLONIAL EXHIBITIONS

ANTWERP IN 1885—LONDON IN 1886.

It is the intention to have a Canadian repre-  
sentation at the INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION  
at Antwerp, commencing in May, 1885, and  
also at the COLONIAL AND INDIAN  
EXHIBITION in London in 1884.  
The Government will defray the cost of freight  
on conveying Canadian Exhibits to Antwerp, and  
from Antwerp to London, and the cost of returning  
them to Canada in the event of their not being  
sold.  
All Exhibits for Antwerp should be ready for  
shipment not later than the first week in March  
next.  
These Exhibitions, it is believed, will afford  
favourable opportunity for a closer knowledge  
of the natural capabilities, and manufacturing and in-  
dustrial progress of the Dominion.  
Circulars and forms containing more particular  
information may be obtained by letter (post free)  
address to the Department of Agriculture, Ot-  
tawa.

By order,  
JOHN LOWE,  
Secy., Dept. of Agric.,  
Ottawa, December 19th 1884.

Department of Agriculture,  
Ottawa, December 19th 1884.



## Royal Hotel Sale Repository.

BRANDON

Auction Sale of Horses,  
Oxen Cows and other  
Live Stock.

Agricultural Implements, Etc., Etc.

THIRD WEDNESDAY IN EVERY MONTH.  
Next sale takes place WEDNESDAY, JAN. 21st.  
Entries for this sale close on the 14th inst.

C. PILLING, Auctioneer.



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FIRST-CLASS RIGS,  
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Livery Sale and Feed  
STABLES.

DEALERS IN  
Horses, Oxen, Wagons, Sleighs,  
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## THE MILLING VALUE OF SPRING AND WINTER WHEAT.

To discuss the relative percentage  
of gluten and starch shown by an-  
alysis to be contained in different  
varieties of wheat, seems like thresh-  
ing straw, so often has the subject  
been traversed. But that valuable  
results are to be obtained by correct  
analysis and careful comparisons,  
can not be denied. While the rela-  
tive percentage of gluten contained  
in a given variety of wheat is not an  
invariable criterion of its milling  
value, by any means, as we have  
shown on former occasions, it is un-  
questionably the most important fact  
or to be taken into account.

It has very generally been sup-  
posed that the hard wheat of the  
Northwest contained a considerably  
larger percentage of gluten than the  
winter wheats and statements have  
been common that a barrel of spring  
wheat flour would make considerably  
more bread, owing to this very fact,  
as the amount of water flour will  
take up in bread baking is directly  
dependent upon the amount of glu-  
ten to flour contains, with one qual-  
ification which will be explained  
further on. Analysis of wheats  
made have generally shown good  
ground for this belief. But Profes-  
sor Brayton and Hurty in a letter to  
The Millstone, reach different con-  
clusions. In an analysis of twelve  
varieties of wheat, including ten for-  
eign varieties. American Hard  
Spring and a sample of long berried  
Mediterranean, they find that the  
Hard Spring contains 72.067 per  
cent. of starch and 9.139 per cent.  
of gluten; while the Mediterranean  
contains only 68.742 per cent. of  
starch and 13.555 per cent. of glu-  
ten. According to this showing,  
the Mediterranean is a better wheat  
for milling purposes than the Hard  
Spring of the Northwest, if the glu-  
ten be of the same quality, assuming  
of course that the samples analyzed  
were representative samples.

All who are acquainted with the  
long berried winter wheats grown  
in Illinois, Missouri, Indiana and  
Ohio, will not deny their excellent  
milling qualities. The fact that  
they are so many famous mills in the  
section where these wheats are  
grown is sufficient proof of the qual-  
ity of the raw material they use.  
Hard Spring wheat is unquestion-  
ably superior to many winter wheats,  
but whether it is to Mediterranean  
is not so clear. The analysis above  
quoted would seem to show the con-  
trary; but it must be remembered  
that the quality of the gluten has  
quite so much to do with the amount  
of bread which a given sample of  
flour will produce as the quantity  
of gluten. By quality we mean elas-  
ticity. The quality of the gluten  
may be poor originally, in the wheat,  
or may be effected by imperfect  
milling. So that while Mediter-  
ranean wheat may contain more  
gluten than hard spring, the flour  
made from it may take up less  
water, and therefore make less  
bread. Still, we believe there has  
been a great deal of superstition in  
regard to spring wheat. Winter  
wheat millers once thought they  
could not adopt the New Process;  
then they thought that rolls might  
do for spring wheat, but would not  
do well on winter wheat. They  
were mistaken in both suppositions,  
and possibly their belief that spring  
wheat is stronger than winter wheat  
may also fade away before developed  
facts.

## CHICKENS IN COLD WEATHER.

When the fowls are compelled to roost on  
their own house, and have not the warmth of  
cattle or other stock to fall back on at night,  
their home must be built warm enough to  
protect their combs and feet from freezing.  
Fowls that are not comfortable and warm can  
not lay eggs for their owners. Snow heat is  
not needed to get eggs in winter, but warm  
sunshiny quarters, with a varied diet of  
warm mash and buckwheat, with chopped up  
meat scraps. A feed of wheat screenings  
once a day is an agreeable change, and wheat  
is a good food to produce eggs. Five cents  
worth of cheap meat a day will supply thirty  
birds with all the meat they want. The  
fowls should be sorted, and all the hens that  
are going to be kept through the next sum-  
mer put with a good, active, constitutioned  
cock, and the other cockerels, and pullets,  
and old fowls that are to be fattened or sold,  
put by themselves, and fed liberally all they  
will eat, and get rid of as soon as possible.  
It will be found profitable to put a new cock,  
a thoroughbred, with the flock every year.

## Municipal Elections.

WALLACE.

Reeve, A. G. McDougall.

COUNCILLORS.

J. F. Frane, T. Tapp, J. Joslin, H.

Crisp, J. H. Angus—Wood.

GLENWOOD.

Reeve, J. N. Kirchhoffer.

COUNCILLORS.

Wm. Smith, Thos. Henderson

James McPherson, Geo. Kerr, Mr.

Fenwick and Mr. Brown.

WOODVILLE.

Reeve W. J. Hellewell; (by accla-

mation.)

COUNCILLORS.

WARD 1.—H. W. Todd; (by accla-

mation.)

WARD 2.—Edward Hunter.

WARD 3.—Thomas Frame; (by accla-

mation.)

WARD 4.—Thomas Brandon.

WARD 5.—Peter Leask.

WARD 6.—James Gee.

OAKLAND.

REEVE.

James Hector.

COUNCILLORS.

WARD 1.—Stewart Robertson, elect-

ed by acclamation.

WARD 2.—James Brenda.

WARD 3.—William T. Stinson.

WARD 4.—George Stewart

WARD 5.—E. A. Lockhart.

WARD 6.—Herbert C. Graham, el-

ected by acclamation.

BRENDA.

REEVE.

Arthur Pollock.

COUNCILLORS.

WARD 1.—Calender & Lake.

WARD 2.—Yeoman & Hicks.

WARD 3.—Anderson & Cole.

VIRIDEN.

Church of England service was held in the  
Presbyterian Church on Sabbath evening  
last. Dr. Young, late of Mulford Manitoba,  
has commenced the practice of his profession  
here.

An event of an interesting nature took  
place at the residence of A. G. McDougall,  
Esq., on Tuesday evening, the 6th inst., in  
which Mr. Charles Bowess and Miss Tillie  
McDougall took a prominent part. Mr. and  
Mrs. Bowess have our best wishes for their  
future happiness.

"The Ravens," a local dramatic club, ap-  
peared before the public for the first time on  
Thursday and Friday evening last, and gave  
a musical and dramatic entertainment.

They were greeted on each occasion by a  
large and appreciative audience. The pro-  
gramme consisted of Songs, Duets, Negro  
Melodies a burlesque oration on "Popular  
Topics of the Day," and two farces "Don  
Paddy De Bagan" and "The Mysterious  
Barkey."

## PLUM CREEK.

Christmas, New Year's and the elections  
are past and our little town is down to busi-  
ness again.

We had a very interesting time over our  
elections more especially for Reeve; for a  
while we had three in the field but things  
began to look dark for one of them, and he  
fell out and left the field to Mr. Steel our  
late Reeve and Mr. J. N. Kirchhoffer. The  
canvass was well conducted but owing to the  
way business has been run in Glenwood, one  
year is as long as the people will allow one  
man to occupy a seat at this council as Reeve,  
as the result of the polls on Tuesday last de-  
clared Mr. J. N. Kirchhoffer, Reeve. He  
was elected by a majority of 31 and if our  
Reeve for 1883 at the close of the year cannot  
give a good account of his reeve-ship, he will  
have to get down and out. So say the rate-  
payers.

The weather for the past three weeks has  
been pleasant and business very good.

One or two of our tony boarders have left  
town without having their accounts balanced  
to the satisfaction of their boarding houses.  
We shall not here give their names but those  
that take them in wherever they go will do  
well not to give more than one day's board on  
credit if they consult their own interests.

Wishing you, Mr. Editor, the compliments  
of the season.

We Remain, Yours Truly,  
ONE OF THE BOYS.

## CANADIAN NEWS.

The rumor is current that Senator Miller,  
Speaker of the Senate, will be called to the  
Cabinet. He would represent Nova Scotia  
in the Cabinet, in the place of Sir Charles  
Tupper.

Wm. Black, aged 16, attempted to jump  
on a street car which was coming down the  
main at a great speed yesterday morn-  
ing. He was thrown under the car and sent  
to prison.

The British bark Isabel, from Cadiz, reports  
passing a large Norwegian bark on the 26th  
ult. The name of the bark was the Albania  
of Arendal. No vestige of the crew was  
found.

For two days the Isabel experienced ter-  
rible earthquake shocks lasting 15 minutes. The  
stern and masts were coming down in ap-  
alling. The ship was shaken in every fibre.  
The crew were paralyzed with fear, and broke  
through all discipline and cut the boats loose.  
A connection of the shocks restored tranquility  
on board. It was calm and fine at the time  
they occurred.



## A Maiden Fair.

## CHAPTER X.

## A HOPELESS CASE.

The first person Annie encountered on deck was Cargill, and for an instant she shrank from him, clutching the top of the cabin stair to prevent herself from falling backward. He held out his hand to aid her; but she recovered herself without taking the proffered hand.

During the time of danger the most terror-stricken face of all on board had been that of Cargill. He grasped the nearest rope of the rigging, and clung to it as if he were already drowning, and this was the last straw of hope. His flabby cheeks grew yellow, and his fishy eyes started in his head more prominent than ever. He had never contemplated the possibility of a wreck. When the danger was over he was the first to recover his equanimity, and to pretend that he had not been at all disturbed by the incident.

He lit a cigar, and whilst apparently looking on at the bustle which preceded the arrival in port, he hovered about the cabin skylight and the stair, wishing to go down, and, for some reason, unable to do so, straining his ears to catch any sound that might come from below. He heard nothing.

He advanced to the captain several times, as if to speak, but saw that he would receive very little grace if he attempted it. Then he walked back to the cabin skylight and hovered about it as before. But when they were fast in port he met the captain on his way to the cabin, told him of the drama he had given to Ross, with many expressions of regret at the almost fatal consequence, and taking his full share of the blame. At the same time he offered his flask to the captain, who very willingly took a dram whilst saying—

"It was a foolish thing for you to do, though kindly meant; but it was a—well, we'll say no more about that. I didn't want to be in a passion when I gave you to him. I'm no gain to prosecute him, as I might do, but not of this boat he carried out."

"Don't be too hard on him, captain. He must have had a drop before that he did not take into account. One glass could never have had such an effect upon him."

"He must have had a guide when draps afore—confound him!—for you see I have taken a big dram the noo, and I'm a heap the better of it, instead of being the waur. But that's no to the purpose. He had no right to touch anything when he was on duty."

"All the same, captain, for your own sake don't be hard on him."

"Oh, I'm no gain to be hard on as I have told you. I have had ower muckle liking for him for that. I'll manage quiet enough; but we must get him ashore; I canna thole to hae him near me."

So the Captain went below, and Cargill, as before, hovered about the cabin, and thus encountered Annie when she rushed up from below.

"Do you want anything—can I get it for you?" he asked eagerly.

"No—yes—thank you," she said excitedly and with a little confusion. "Wait a minute."

She passed him and ran to the bow, where the men stood in a group talking and smoking. As there was to be no discharge of cargo till the following day, they were all taking their ease and discussing the strange events of the passage.

"I want you to go down to the cabin, Jock," she said, touching the arm of a thick-set, round-shouldered man, "and bid with Bob Ross;—he is not well."

"You're fashin' yourself ower muckle about him, missy" (that was her name on board the "Mermaid"); "but I'll do your bidding."

"I tell you all, he is not well; he was not fou."

"That's just what I was saying," asserted a sturdy fellow named Campbell—the same who had been the lookout at the moment of peril, "for he was speaking to me not half an hour afore he put the wheel wrong, and he was as sober as any judge."

The man said this doggedly, having just been contending with much opposition from his mates.

"You are right, Campbell," said Annie, grateful to find some one who agreed with her. She had been much disappointed by the manner in which Jock Burns had obeyed her; for she had counted upon him as Ross's best friend, and found that he, too, shared the common belief regarding the cause of the pilot's blunder.

"Go you up to the town and fetch the best doctor you can find that will come immediately."

Then she went back to Cargill, who was waiting for her with every appearance of stolid patience in his general bearing; but the fish eyes rolled restlessly between the shore and the group of men to whom she had been speaking.

It was the last gloaming—the hour when sea and land appear most beautiful, touched by the saddest, sweetest, most mysterious lights and shades. Voices and all sounds seem hushed, and the restless plash of the sea is like the low croon of a mother singing a lullaby. The shadows deepen slowly, and by-and-by all is hushed and yet not dark.

Suddenly there comes a glory in the sky; great shafts of light of many colors, like straight rainbows, dart across it through white streams, and the eyes are filled with wonder.

"This is the first time I have seen the Northern Lights, Miss Murray," said Cargill as he advanced to meet her; "and they are certainly admirable."

"Ay, they are fine," she answered gravely, checking the inclination she felt to show her dislike for his conventional expression of admiration: "we who have seen them before believe they are something more than admirable—we cannot put our wonder into words."

"That is exactly how I feel," he answered, evidently quite unconscious of the rebuke conveyed in her simple words. "But remarkable as these phenomena are, will you believe it, there is something which occupies my mind so much at present that I am unable to give them proper attention?"

"Indeed?"

"It is true. May I tell you what it is, Miss Murray?"

"May I speak to you first, Mr. Cargill?"

Even his dull self-conceit was taken aback by this way of replying to his question; He fancied he had spoken in the tones of a charmer—he did believe himself an invincible lady-killer—and she spoiled all his fine preparations by a request which he could not refuse. He had a great objection to be crossed even in trifles.

Yet she had spoken very quietly; and the wonder overhead—now appearing as luminous white streams—shone on her calm, sad face, making it so beautiful that for the first time he became vaguely conscious that there was something in the world finer and nobler than himself.

He made the grand bow which a dancing-master had taught him, and which he had learned to perform with less grace than an awkward elephant might have shown.

She smiled in a sad, half-hearted way; but still she smiled, and his good opinion of himself was restored. That bow had conquered her.

"I was just going to ask you, Mr. Cargill, what did Mr. Ross look like when you gave him that dram from your flask? Did he look as if he had been drinking?"

This was extremely disagreeable in several ways, but particularly because it took his mind entirely away from the arrangement of the pretty phrases in which he was to express the thought which was uppermost in it. His answer was so prompt that to her quick wit it seemed to have been studied.

"I really did not think so, or you may be sure I would have been the last person in the world to add to the poor fellow's affliction—to say nothing of the fact that consideration for our safety would have prevented me doing so."

"Did you speak to him?"

"For a few minutes, yes."

"And he answered you sensibly enough?"

"I must say that so far as my recollection goes, he did. No one was more surprised than I was when the real state of the case was brought so unpleasantly before us. But of course I had no suspicion that he could be guilty of such—such stupidity."

He had hesitated over the word he should use; for he desired to show a friendly disposition toward Ross.

"Thank you, Mr. Cargill. It was a pity you gave him the dram."

She turned away, looking anxiously for the return of Campbell with the doctor. Cargill's heavy paw rested on her arm.

"Are you forgetting, Miss Murray, that I asked to be allowed to speak to you?"

"No."

"Then permit me to do so now" (he had resumed his grand air and the flabby smile which he thought so winning). "You know the question I want to ask; your father wishes you to say yes; and I need not say that I desire you to say the same thing."

She turned upon him those clear bright eyes and that fair troubled face.

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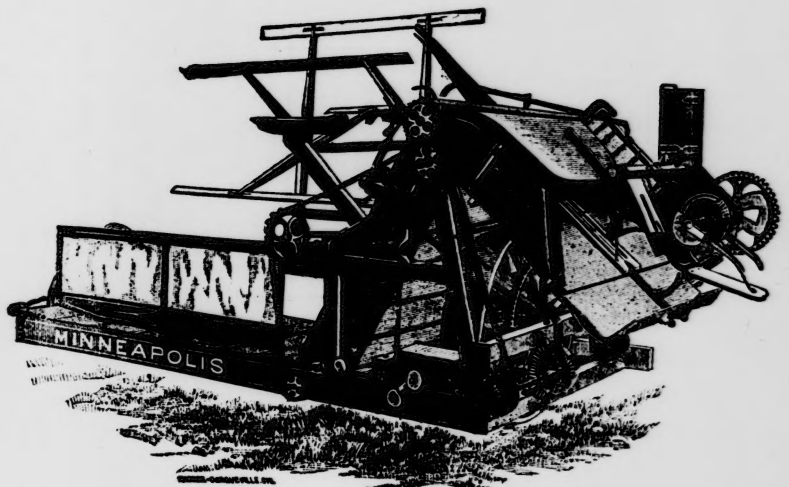
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heap of vexation, maybe. I know what you mean, and I tell you once for all that as long as I live my answer to you will be the same as it is now—you can never have yes from me."

"But your father would like it," "Ay, but he would never wish me to do what I do not think would be right."

The man was not a wooer; he had not the feelings of one. So instead of persuading, instead of feeling that he must give everything to win the one object he desired, he felt his pride wounded, he drew up his big frame and used reproach.

"It cannot be that after what has happened you still think of this man, Ross! You yourself said that a man who could disgrace himself as he has done would not be worth thinking about."

She felt her cheeks tingling, and she looked down as she spoke in a low voice.

"You have no business with what I may think, Mr. Cargill."

Then she looked up and her eyes brightened again as she cried: "Here's the doctor."

It was curious how the pride-puffing form of Cargill appeared to collapse at that announcement, and he slunk back a few paces.

Campbell came forward with a gray-haired, muscular-looking gentleman, whose fresh healthy face gave evidence that he lived much out of doors. On the way to the steamer Campbell had told Dr. Pratt the circumstance of the case, so that he was ready to see the patient at once.

Annie went down to the cabin with him, and after some hesitation Cargill followed, but stopped at the foot of the stair.

Ross was lying on the seat where he had fallen when he made his attempt to leave. He was again in a stupor. Captain Duncan was moving restlessly about; Jock Burns was standing near, stolid and indifferent.

The doctor treated the case in a brisk, off-hand way as one of mere drunkenness, and Annie's heart ached with shame.

"He is a strong, healthy fellow," he said, "and there is nothing the matter except that he has had a drop too much. Put him into a berth and let him sleep it off. He'll be all right when he wakes."

Then the doctor, too, was against her, he also found that common explanation for the condition of Ross. Annie felt that the last hope of convincing her father that there was a mistake was gone. According to the doctor, there had been no "fit" or sudden attack of illness—only that vulgar crime of drunkenness.

But she had faith and she did not despair even now.

Ross awakened in his berth early in the morning; but he was not yet "all right" as the doctor had predicted he would be. He was certainly much better; but he was still confused, and for a little while unable to comprehend his position.

Then it flashed upon him with cruel vividness—the drink the disgrace.

He could not yet recollect all that had happened, but enough was clear to make him anxious to get away from the Mermaid without causing more pain to Annie. With that thought he turned out of the berth and used his head well with cold water. Then he had only to pull on his boots and fasten his neck tie, for his clothes had not been taken off. That done, he made his way to the deck, purposing to go on shore and take the first train home. What was to be done afterward would be decided when his head was clearer.

Early as it was, however, Captain Duncan was already astir, and as soon as Ross appeared from below they met.

"I am sorry for you, Bob, that it's the best thing you can do to gang home by train. I didn't think I could thole to hae you on board after what has taken place. But you done it at any other time, I wouldn't hae thought muckle about it; but when you were at the wheel an' at such a place—oh, confound it, I canna think about it with any patience."

Ross bowed his head and could not speak. Presently the captain went on:

"How's ever you can mak' your mind easy she far that I'll no speak a word about it, and the lads will hand their tongues for your sake. At the same time I am done with you."

"It's very good of you, captain," said Ross, speaking low and huskily, "but although you may hide it from other folk, you canna hide it from me. That's the worst of it. I don't know yet exactly what I have done or how I did it; but I dare say I shall learn it all soon enough. Thank you, and good-by."

He went on shore, the captain looking after him with something wistful in the expression of his rusty face. Suddenly he turned and shouted:

"Campbell—here. You gang up to the station wi Bob Ross and see him safely into the train. I'm doubtful he's no juist himself yet."

Campbell obeyed willingly; he was the only one except Annie, who had the slightest doubt as to the cause of Ross's disgrace. The cap-

tain turned to his duties with an air of excess of energy as if anxious to forget in the bustle this painful incident.

When Cargill rose and learned that his rival was safely off, he was in high glee. He had no doubt that now with a clear course before him and with her father on his side, he would speedily overcome Annie's objections. In his cunning schemes however, he did not take into account his own clumsiness. Annie did.

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The Progress Made During Past Season in the Rockies.

Mr. James Ross, superintendent of construction in the Rocky Mountains arrived from the west a few days ago. He says that since the work was commenced at Laggon last spring eighty miles of the road have been completed. The road follows the valley of the Kicking Horse until the Columbia River is reached, which stream it follows for a distance of eighteen miles. At this point the first crossing is made, and the road is continued westward to the Beaver Creek, where track-laying ceased for the winter. There 5,000 men engaged on construction during the past summer, and out of this number 3,000 have been retained to work on grading, tunneling and making preparations for next season's work. Three saw mills are kept constantly at work and eight million feet of lumber have been cut during the season. The largest mill will cut 50,000 feet of lumber in 24 hours. During the season seven tunnels were made and nine bridges built, together with a large temporary bridge across latter river which is rapidly reaching completion. In the reference to the prospects of next years' Mr. Ross said that track-laying would be commenced early in March and thought that it would be completed in August.

WOODWORTH.

Editor of Brandon MAIL.

DEAR SIR:—As this is the time of year when all who have an interest in the working of the various councils throughout the province, in electing the right man in the right place, I will here call your attention, and that of your numerous readers to the way things are done in the Municipality of Woodworth.

The clerk sends out notices stating when and where the nomination is to be held, but omitting the hour for opening and closing.

As the roads were bad and in fact no regular road, one of the candidates for Ward No. 1, was one minute too late.

The clerk also, who was to have been there at 10 a. m. to fix up his books, to give an account of the business transacted during the year, he and councillors were in office, was too late for that all important part of business, so as returning officer, he proceeded to open the nomination.

His brother being a candidate for Ward No. 1 was nominated. The other candidate for Ward No. 1, had just got in, when the clerk on seeing him jumped up and declared the nomination closed and his brother elected by acclamation.

However, candidate No. 2 had by his watch fifteen minutes and by that of the other candidate seven minutes to spare. There was a little dispute regarding the correct time and Mr. Clerk appearing willing to show justice remarked "that had it been any other person than his brother he would not have minded."

But seeing it was his brother he did mind, and said "it could not be changed" and surmising that it had been put to the vote, his brother might not have had the pleasure of thanking the assembled few for the honor they had conferred on him.

I think it would have been in better taste to have thanked his brother, the clerk, instead.

Thanking you Mr. Editor for your valuable space.

I am, Yours &c.,

YALDUP.

[We give space to the foregoing, not because of its critical worth, but to prevent the impression that we wish to stifle discussion. In the first place we may state that the statute fixes the day and hour of nomination, and the clerk is simply required to name the place, as instructed by the council. Neither is the clerk supposed to go by any one's watch, but simply by the general time of the place. Two watches might have been slower than the clerk's, and on the other hand two others might have been faster. The hour is allowed by statute, to provide for discrepancies in time, and any one who aspires to the position of councillor, ought to know this much about Municipal Law.

There is too a report for the clerk to make, but it is merely a matter of form. Auditors are appointed by law to investigate the finances of the Municipalities, and it is to what they have to say the anxious ought to look for information. We can give the names of a dozen clerks in the province who did not mention the hour of nomination as well as the clerk of Woodworth. And for the reason stated—the law fixed it. If then our correspondents is in search of a grievance, he will have to look for it in some other quarter.

OAK LAKE OBSERVATORY.

Meteorological Report.

For the month of December, 1885.  
Barometer reduced to sea level.  
Highest.....30.894  
Lowest.....29.455  
TEMPERATURE.  
Highest.....43.2  
Lowest.....42.2 below zero  
Wind, greatest velocity 23 miles per hour  
Least.....0.6

PHENOMENA.  
1 Aurora, 1 Solar Halo, 1 Lunar Halo, 1 lunar Corona.  
Snow fell on 8 day during 63 hours, and to a total depth of 12.5 inches.

REMARKS.  
The prairie was bare of snow at the beginning of the month. The snow storm which commenced on the 6th and remained two days; and sleighing was good from that out to the end of the month. Owing to evaporation the total depth of snow at the snow at the end of the month was 7.25 inches. The wind has been light to calm and barometer above the normal throughout the whole month.

At the last meeting of the Brandon City Lodge, No. 61, O. O. F., the following officers were installed for the current term. District Deputy Grand Master More presiding:—

N. G., R. J. Noxon.  
R. S., John A. Brown.  
P. S., J. W. Crossley.  
Treas., J. W. Anderson.  
Conductor, W. J. Burchill.  
Warden, J. Riesbury.  
R. S. N. G., J. D. Bowley.  
L. S. N. G., Wm Vivian.  
R. S. S., W. F. Wilson.  
L. S. S., John Maxwell.  
Chaplain, A. McLean.  
O. G., Trotter.  
I. G., Herbert Field.

T. J. Lamont was elected to the office of V. G. but being unavoidably absent his installation together with that of his supporters was postponed till the next meeting.

W. E. Hunter takes his seat in the P. G. chair for the current term—Dr. More, Lodge Physician.

Mr. F. H. Bignall, of a Canadian geographical society, has just returned from an exploring expedition to the northwest of Quebec, an expedition which left in June last, to discover a great inland sea which has for some time been identified with Lake Mistassini, just north of the Province of Quebec. Mr. Bignall did not belong to the main expedition, which was equipped for an 18 months stay, but he reports having navigated 120 miles on a great lake which he assumes to be an expansion of Rupert River, without having really reached the body of the lake. He says it lies from southwest to northeast, stretching toward the Labrador coast, between low-lying banks and probably covers as much area, at least as Lake Superior. The existence of such a body of water in this hitherto almost totally unexplored region has heretofore been the subject of many rumors, and further authentic reports will be looked for with great interest.

BLESSED IS THE PAYING SUBSCRIBER.

We clip the following from an exchange, changing it, however, so as to be applicable to all newspapers: Blessed is the man who doth subscribe for a paper and pay therefor. His feet shall not be forsaken by his friends nor prosecuted by his enemies, nor shall his seed be begging.

Blessed is he that walketh into the office of a newspaper, yea, even entereth the sanctum and payeth year's subscription therefor. Selah.

He shall learn wisdom day by day and be exalted above his fellows.

He shall talk knowingly upon all subjects and his neighbors shall be astonished at the muchness of his learning.

He shall not contract bad debts nor lose good bargains.

He shall not pay additional percent on taxes, for he shall behold the notice of the collector and he shall take warning thereby.

Verily, he shall bring his products to market when the prices are exceedingly good, and withhold them when the price descendeth.

He shall not lay hold of red hot poker, for knowledge of metallurgy will teach him hot iron burns!

His children shall not vex him, nor his wife wear the breeches.

He shall live to a good old age, and when his dying hour is at hand his soul shall not be troubled as to his future state.

But it were better for him that doth refuse to subscribe for a newspaper, that he were bound hand and foot, cast upon a leather bed. He shall not rest by night or by day, for visions of creditors shall dance upon his stomach by night, and their actual presence torment him by day.

If perchance he hath a moment's peace, it is only that he may have a moment's rest ere the memory of an evil life lacerates his mind as the goad pricks the hide of a strong ox, so that punishment may be longer drawn out.

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The capital to be \$2,500,000, and that such Act shall contain all necessary clauses for the purchase of lands, the acceptance of bonds or lands or money, the building of bridges, the navigation of adjacent rivers or lakes, the construction and equipment of a telegraph or telephone line, or both, in connection with the railway, the erection of stations and the making of traffic or other arrangements with other railway companies, and all other usual clauses and provisions necessary for a company with such objects and purposes.

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AVIS est par les presentes donne qu'une application sera faite a la prochaine session du parlement du Canada, demandant la sanction d'un acte pour incorporer une compagnie sous le nom de "La Compagnie de chemin de fer de Brandon, Souris, et la Montagne aux Rats," avec pouvoir de construire et d'equiper un chemin de fer, d'un point sur la ligne principale du chemin de fer Canadien, jusqu'a un point pres de la ville de Brandon, de la dans la direction du sud-ouest jusqu'a un endroit dans ou pres de la Municipalite de la riviere Souris, de la vers l'ouest jusqu'a un endroit dans les Territoires du Nord-Ouest, dans le district d'Assiniboia, a la traverse de la riviere Souris, puis dans le township sept, dans le treizieme rang, a l'ouest du second meridian principal.

Le capital de la dite compagnie sera de \$2,500,000, et tel acte devra contenir toutes les clauses necessaires a l'achat de terrains, l'acceptation de bons en terres et en argent, la construction de ponts, la navigation des rivieres et lacs adjacents, la construction, completion et mise en operation de lignes telegraphiques ou telephoniques ou les deux ensemble, en rapport avec le dit chemin de fer, l'etablissement de stations et la faculte de faire le trafic ou tous autres arrangements avec les autres compagnies de chemin de fer, et toutes autres clauses ordinaires et les privileges necessaires a une compagnie pour tels fins et objets.

J. TRAVERS LEWIS,

Procureur des requirants.

Dated at Ottawa, ce 14me jour de novembre 1885. 20-6.

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We have now completed such arrangements with the publishers of *Health and Home*, a first-class family paper, as will enable us to give it free next year, to those subscribers of the *Mail* who pay up all arrears and remit \$2.00 for the year just entered upon. With this issue we send out statements to all in arrears to any extent, and shall look for a prompt response. Those who prefer the *Toronto Mail* or the *Toronto News* to *Health and Home*, can have either clubbed with our paper at \$2.50; in short we will give any other publication desired with the *Mail*, at a considerable reduction off the face value of both. We are fully aware that times are hard and money difficult to be got, and this is our chief reason for making a reduction in the regular price of our paper. It should also remind our readers that a newspaper cannot be run on the wind. We have a weekly outlay of very nearly \$100 in wages, rent, fuel and printing materials that must be met by prompt payments, which prevent us giving the credit for subscriptions many seem inclined to take. We must insist on a prompt settlement of all arrears, and we make this offer as an extra incentive.

C. CLIFFE,  
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## JUDICIAL BOARDS.

The entire press of the country is teeming with correspondence on the Judicial Boards, and every writer advocates a diminution in the cost of their maintenance. No doubt the stringency of the times has something to do with this, as the ratepayers are apt to scan every payment more closely in times of depression than at any other season, but good, sound judgment must also have something to do with dictating the communications. The general conclusion is that the country was before overburdened with legislation and the Judicial Board system is considered another straw on the already overloaded back of the camel.

There is no doubt but that the Municipal System when introduced into Canada in 1840, by Messrs. Draper and Baldwin, was very necessary; but there is no argument in saying that the legislation that is requisite for a province of 2,000,000 of people is also serviceable in one with equal area with the one-tenth of that number. No; there is no mistaking the fact that this country is legislated to a bed of sickness and the worst has not yet arrived.

At Winnipeg there is a government with five paid Cabinet Ministers while other provinces with a much greater population can manage with four, and in the parliament there is all the other paraphernalia from a sergeant-at-arms, with a three-cocked hat, wielding a mace, to protect the sittings of the assembled wisdom, in their deep deliberations, to a Clerk of the Executive Council, with printing in French and English and, all the other *et cetera* betokening wealth and affluence.

There is next our municipalities in every division of the country with an average of less than 100 ratepayers, with Reeves, councillors, clerks, treasurers and assessors,—with a staff and expenditure fully sufficient to legislate for ten times the number of people.

And next comes the Judicial Boards with their representatives virtually responsible to no body of electors, and their officers not even responsible to the Boards. As the members of the Board, are selected by the Reeves from amongst themselves, they virtually have no constituents and are, therefore, properly speaking, answerable to no body of electors, and their Assessment Commissioners are not even accountable to the Boards, the latter are compelled to accept their labors and their bills for services without an opportunity of criticising either. When the Board system was before

the Parliament, the members of the Government thought it best to have three of these ornaments for each District, but as a compromise one was accepted, the Hon. Mr. Brown arguing at the time, they would discharge their duties in about ten days and therefore cost each District no more than about \$150. However, that was reckoning without a host, for as no particular duties were assigned to the Commissioners, and no limit to the extent of their services, men on ten dollars a day and expenses who were suffering in wind and limb from the effects of the boom were not likely to study economy for the Bears. The result is that our Western Commissioner has been paid over \$1,100, the Central servant \$1,800 and the eastern ornament something over \$2,000. The people very properly cry out against these expenses. Again we have Secretary Treasurers on double the ordinary salaries paid to good men, because of their able financing abilities, but who were never known to successfully finance any private business of their own, a strange coincidence, to say the least of it.

Taking all the expenditures into account it is quite evident that something must be done to unburden the taxpayer, if the country is to prosper as nature designed it should. The people have now come to the conclusion they must "commence to live at the beginning" in Manitoba as well as elsewhere, and to aid them the legislation of the country must go back to some more primitive and less expensive form. It is almost too much to expect a reduction of expenses in the Parliament, as long as the people retain the present incumbents in office, but a reduction of the cost of municipal machinery is not too much to hope for. Would it not then be well to reduce the number of Judicial Districts to two instead of three? If we are to have goalers, turnkeys, &c., &c., it is but right they should have something to do, and with the appointments and equipments in "the edifice on the hill," the officers in charge could readily manage the business of an increased territory.

If again, we are to have municipal officials, why not give them something to do? In our opinion the entire country west of Portage la Prairie could well be managed by ten or twelve municipal councils, if a proper regard was had for natural divisions; and if the Reeves of these constituted the Judicial Board of the territory, there would be a body directly responsible to the ratepayers, costing the country less than half the amount paid to officers and capable of rendering an equally efficient management of all matters entrusted to their care. This is but a hint, but it would not be amiss for our parliamentary representatives to give it proper consideration.

## THE UNION AND THE PRICE OF WHEAT.

At the present moment there is a "wrinkle in the wind," in the wheat business of the Farmers' Union, that, when unfolded, will give the public a little information,—in short there is a fraud somewhere by which the public are being injured, but until the Railway and other authorities now working it up, place it on the proper shoulders, we are not a liberty to disclose the facts. However, we give some particulars of passing interest.

All along the Union has been assuring the farmers, that if they sold to them, on the "advance and rise principle," they would get more for their wheat than they could get from any dealer outright. Several dozens have done this, and are now biting their fingers in disappointment and disgust. We have the names of dozens, but among the number are Geo. Moody, who was assured he would get on the principal stated 56 cents. He received 25 cents at the time, and was subsequently paid off in full with 13 cents more, or 38 all told. Thos. Cook, of Plum Creek,

another farmer, was offered one day 46 cents by Ogilvie and the same day he was induced by the Farmers' Union to try the new system, receiving 30 down and subsequently he got 8 more, losing 8 cents a bushel by his experiment. Wm. Findley, of Rapid City, in the same way lost 16 cents a bushel, he having been offered 46 by Ogilvie, and receiving in the two payments but 30 cents from the Union. John Empey, for 9-19-8 took from the Union 20 down and 5 more in the course of time, and so on of dozens of others.

But this is not all. They claim to be buying for Mr. Mitchell, and giving the price he authorizes, the authority being given to the public on bulletin boards at every R. R. depot. In the face of this, on Monday last there were the discrepancies in the annexed columns.

Adv. by Mitchell. P. d. by Union

No. 1 Hard	71c	.....	54c
No. 2 "	66	.....	54
No. 1 Northern	66	.....	54
No. 2 "	61	.....	48
No. 1 Regular	58	.....	42
No. 2 "	53	.....	40
No. 3 "	48	.....	39

Mr. Mitchell advertises that in addition to these figures, he pays his agents (and the Union say they are his agents here,) some 3½ cents a bushel as agent's fees, elevator storages &c. &c.

If again the leaders of the Union had faith in their own representations—if they believed what they told the farmers, many of whom are now finding out their mistake, why did Dr. Fleming and Mr. Purvis sell their own wheat to Mr. Ogilvie? Why did they not sell it on the trust and go lucky system—the advance and rise principle they so plausibly recommended to the farmers? That's a question for the philosophers.

During the past week, too, they have been hourly telegraphing to Mr. Egan, asking permission to load on the cars from sleighs, alleging they are short of storage room, while three or four responsible parties in town offered them all the storage room they required.

On Monday last, a C. P. R. policeman was sent up to investigate the matter from beginning to end, and in a day or two the result of his mission will reach the public, and make some disclosures. The truth of the matter is the thing is falling to pieces of its own inherent crookedness, and the leaders are now looking for a chance to quarrel with some body, to throw the responsibility on other shoulders.

It is no trouble to abigoted partisan print to find a grievance, when it wants to have a thrust at an opponent. In a recent issue, we called Mr. Norquay an "over-grown Indian," and this has brought the Free Press down into the "blackguards." Delectable sheets are always fond of choice terms. We presume Voltaire considered it no offence to be called a "brilliant Frenchman," the Duke of Wellington considered it no offence to be called "a self-willed Englishman," and our good Brother Luxton would, we think, grow angry if christened an impetuous, impulsive Cornish man. Then why should Mr. Norquay get on his mat because of being called an over-grown Indian? That he is the Indian, at least in part, he will not deny, and the "over-growth" speaks for itself. Our use of the term had no other reference, and we can only say, "Honi soit qui maly pense." With our condemnation of the man, the Free Press freely agrees; but its alleged reason is because of his "Tory Government." Now it is a fair question to ask when did Mr. Luxton first find the Tory blood in his veins? was it in 1878, when Mr. Norquay "hunted in couples," to carry the County of Marquette against Mr. Ryan, of Portage la Prairie? or was it a fact that at the time Mr. Luxton was willing to be championed by a Tory or any one else, if he could only secure a seat in the Commons through his influence? There is a point there upon which the public would like to hear a word of explanation.

Will you give it, Brother Luxton? In our humble opinion, Mr. Luxton privately condemns Mr. Norquay for precisely the same reasons that we do—lack of decision as a legislator, absence of purpose as a statesman, and extravagance in every meaning of the term, in his capacity as a Minister of the Crown; but his print for the best of all reasons, dare not express its convictions. A single year has not passed since Mr. Norquay became a Minister, that printing contracts have not been lavished upon the Free Press, and Mr. Norquay well knows the virtue of his medicine. Whenever the Free Press grows obstreperous, because of Mr. Norquay's "Tory proclivities," of course, the premier has only to throw a printing contract into its extended maws, and it grows as docile as ever was a well fed lion in Barnum's menagerie. If Mr. Norquay is not a successful statesman, he is at least an effective lion tamer, and the sinuous tracks of the Free Press, for the last four years, bears the best evidence of this the public can ever desire to have produced.

## "THE SALARY GRAB."

By this we do not mean a general advance of allowances, such as parliaments often rate to themselves, but the sweeping reductions made by the city council at its sitting last Monday night. We give in the annexed columns, the salaries formerly paid, and those to be paid in future by which the reductions appear for themselves.

	Late	Future
	Sal.	Sal.
Chamberlain	.....\$1,000	\$300
Clerk	.....1,000	300
Policeman	.....1,350	600
Solicitor	.....600	400
Fireman	.....1,000	700
Teamster	.....540	000
Police Magistrate	.....800	800

Total \$6,290 \$3,700.

The chamberlain may manage to pull through at these figures, but it will only be by cutting off his high living, but we do not see how the salary of the clerk will keep soul and body together, unless he can move his office on to Main street and associate it with other business. The great reduction in the item for policemen is caused by lopping off one man and reducing the salary of the second, which in all conscience was small enough. We were all along of the opinion one policeman with the chief could do the business of the place, if the Provincial police could only be forced outside of Winnipeg, and do all provincial business, but it is of a truth a shame to ask any man to parade the streets in a Manitoba winter till five o'clock in the morning at \$600 a year, or \$164 a night. The Police Magistrate's salary is fixed by the Parliament and cannot be interfered with without legislation. The city teamster has been dismissed, and the team is to be sold to John Bradley, we believe, who is to use the stables and do all the engine teaming and street cleaning of snow at \$143 a year. In brief, we may say there has been a "clean sweep."

We understand that the Farmers' Union are shortly to have a meeting in Winnipeg, and, if so, for the sake of the country, we hope their utterance, will be tempered with moderation, and not the death dealing expressions of a year ago, which neither the times nor the circumstances ever warranted. As long as the world lasts, there will be political parties, and sections who cannot view the rights of province through the same glasses; but this no reason why the one party should decry the standing or credit of the country for the sake of having a fling at the other. There are further in this province different ideas of what is proper Federal treatment, and if the Union would only exercise moderation in the discussion of this subject, they would accomplish just as much at home, and be certain to do the country no harm abroad. The higher price of wheat in this

country than across the lines is evidence, farmers have no longer much to say against the C. P. R. monopoly; the land regulations too are being modified to provincial liking, and lastly comes the intelligence that the demands of the Provincial government are now being fully met. There are the maintenance of schools, the improvement of public works and several minor matters that yet require attention, but that attention can as well be tempered in moderation as in the fire-eating denunciations of a year ago. Everything necessary for provincial prosperity—everything essential to make Manitoba the home of contented millions can be procured, in this age of intelligence, through moderate measures, and no well wishers of the province will ever resort to any others.

We much regret, that our informant should have confused names in giving us the particulars of an episode at the Whitehead Municipal nominations. We are now assured on the best of authority, it was Mr. Luney and not Mr. Broatch, who censured Mr. Hanna for giving the voters lists printing to the *Mail* office, at the figures stated, and we hasten to place the blame on the right shoulders. Our last week's account of the matter is correct in every particular by using the name of Mr. Luney instead of that of Mr. Broatch.

It is a great pity something cannot be done to secure the construction of a railway through Plum Creek and extended into the coal fields. At present the farmers of that section are teaming all their wheat to Griswold and Alexander, depriving Brandon of much trade that naturally belongs to it from its size and position, and depriving our citizens of the cheap article of fuel they would assuredly have with such a line of road. The C. P. R. have time and again given us assurances that this would be the first new branch they would undertake, and now that they have secured the funds for their Southwestern branch, by a little stretch they could make a commencement on this. The country is so level and clear of bridging that but a very small sum would extend it to Plum Creek, and a part of the present rolling stock of the main line could be used in operating it, even if they gave the people but three trains a week. This road is so necessary that the company should make some effort to construct it without delay.

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## CHAPTER I.

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### NEWS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Gladstone is ill.  
Gen. Hobeck wants Russia to take India.  
The French Minister of war has resigned.  
Rev. Dr. Withrow is considered out of danger.  
France has agreed to England's Egyptian proposal.  
A case under a will of 1798 has been decided in Montreal.  
Erge has defaulted on the principal due on the car trust.  
No clue has been discovered to the London dynamiters.  
A London millionaire has died in squalid wretchedness.  
The United States public debt increased during December.  
It is proposed to offer a reward of \$100,000 for the dynamiters.  
France is opposed to a Belgian suzerainty in the Congo country.  
It is now asserted that the Crime's Act will be renewed for Ireland.  
Trinity Anglican Church, in Quebec, was greatly damaged by fire yesterday.  
Toronto electors will express their opinion on the exemption question to-day.  
Lord Randolph Churchill will return from India by way of San Francisco.  
The French officers are complaining the China is employing too many Germans.  
The Hon. Edward Blake, Q. C., will address a meeting in Shaftesbury Hall on the 13th.  
Kelung is to be evacuated so as to enable the French to concentrate their efforts on Tonquin.  
It is asserted that Germany wants to trade with England the New Guinea annexation for Helgoland.  
The verdict in the Temple case, for wrong full expulsion from the Toronto Stock Exchange, has been sustained.  
It is stated that Lord Darby is willing to allow the West Indies to impose differential duties in favour of American goods.  
Judgment has been rendered in the case of Stuart & Macpherson v. Clarke, which is a suit to guarantee the money offered Mr. McKim, M. P. P.  
The output of the Leadville District in gold, silver, and lead for 1884 was twelve million three hundred and ninety-two thousand and an increase of two million one hundred and thirty-four thousand over 1883.  
The liquor interests are circulating a petition praying Parliament to amend the Scott Act so as to require three fifths majority before it can be enforced. The temperance people are out with a counter petition.

### MISSING LINKS.

Gladstone is a sufferer from insomnia.  
The moon will be full twice this month.  
Hendricks is senior warden of his church.  
Croup and Throat and Lung Troubles are treated successfully with Allen's Lung Balm.  
Payne is said to have stolen the music of "Home, Sweet Home."  
Waldo county, Me., exported nearly 1,000,000 dozen eggs last year.  
A Pittsfield, Mass., citizen recently paid \$400 for an African gray parrot.  
Paper is now used in Germany instead of wood in manufacturing lead pencils.  
"Rough on Cuts" 15c. Quick complete cure. Hard or soft corns, warts, bunions.  
The farmers in the United States have ten votes to seven of all other occupations.  
Senator Fair is defendant in a tax suit in San Francisco for over \$90,000. His city property is assessed for over 4,000,000.  
The surviving Rothschilds will turn their house in Jew's lane, Frankfurt-on-the-Main, into a sort of museum of old family relics.

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HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Charcoal has been discovered to be a cure for burns. By laying a piece of coal charcoal upon a burn, the pain subsides immediately. By leaving the charcoal on one hour, the wound is healed.

Warm mustard water should be given to one who has accidentally swallowed poison. This will cause vomiting, after which a cup of strong coffee should be given to counteract the remaining effects.

To make oil cloth look bright and fresh, take of milk in the proportion of three table-spoonfuls to one of molasses. After mixing thoroughly apply with a soft rag to the oil cloth, having it perfectly clean. If the carpet is sticky after drying use less molasses. The quality of molasses varies, and an experiment on an inch or two of surface will test the quality of the compound. It will proportion the dust will not stick to the floor more than on new oil cloth.

Spiced beef tongue is a good dish for supper. Make a mixture of half a pint of sugar, a piece of salt-peter the size of a pea, and a tea-spoonful of ground cloves; rub this into the tongue. Then make a mixture of two quarts of water and three-quarters of a pound of salt, put the tongue into a jar and pour the brine over it. See that the tongue is entirely covered, and is kept well under. Let it lie in this pickle for two weeks; then take it out, rinse it in several clear waters. Make a thin paste of flour and water, wrap the tongue in this, and put into a dripping pan to bake. It must be baked slowly, and it must be basted frequently with lard and water, or with half drippings and water. When done remove the paste and the skin; let it become cold, then cut into slices, and not too thin slices, either.

In preparing turkey stuffing many great cooks make extra trouble in preparing a force meat stuffing of veal, ham, bacon, onions, potatoes, or bread-crumbs and all sorts of things. But the ordinary old-fashioned stuffing for a turkey is generally liked the best. Take the soft part of good, soft bread (not the crust) and do not wet it as is usually done, but rub it dry and fine, and work into it a piece of butter the size of an egg. Season with salt, pepper, and summer-savory. Add to this a dozen or more oysters whole, and it will be very fine. Some good cooks, who are ruled by taste and not by books, add to a stuffing like the above large chestnuts boiled. The chestnuts are put on a fire in a saucepan or spider to burst the skins; then mix with the stuffing whole. Serve with a chestnut sauce.

How to treat a hard milker.—A correspondent of the Mirror and Farmer applies the "hot water cure" to hard milking cows in this way:—Before milking put two or three handfuls of hot water upon each teat, as hot as the hand will bear. After giving the teats a thorough soaking, wipe lightly with a dry cloth, or strip with the hand until there is no danger of the water dripping into the pail; then milk at once. By this means a hard milker can be milked in half the usual time.

The official agricultural returns of Great Britain and her colonies have just been received, from which it appears that the total wheat area of India is placed at 26,000,000 acres, and the yield is a fairly good year at nine and three-fourths bushels of wheat to the acre, which would make the total yield of India about 242,000,000 bushels. The total export of Indian wheat for 1883 is reported to have been nearly 42,000,000. The total quantity of wheat, including flour, imported into Great Britain last year, was 141,000,000 bushels, of which there were received from the United States, 67,000,000 bushels, and from India nearly 19,000,000 bushels.

This is the difference between Jersey and Alderney cows: The former has been kept pure bred on the Channel Island of that name for a long time; no foreign cattle have been permitted to be imported into Jersey for over a hundred years. In the Island of Alderney importations of other cattle have ever been permitted. The Alderneys have not been kept pure, but are made up mainly of a cross of the Jerseys and Guernseys on their original stock. They are not so fine as either of these two latter breeds have now become and are more uneven in their make-up. The term Alderney was applied by mistake by the English to Jersey cows when they first began to import them many years ago, but it is not used now, each breed being distinctly classed by itself.

The cattle all over the ranges from Bow River to the line, are in splendid condition. Never have they been in such fine fix to begin the winter. During the present fine weather they continue to take on fat, and the winter must be an exceptionally severe one to make the loss anything worth mentioning. Added to this the larger companies and individuals have put up hundreds of tons of good hay, and poor stock will fare well. Altogether we do not think the prospects for stockmen could be brighter.

Hungarian Grass.—Pilot Mound Signal says: "Councillor O'Malley, of Lorne, who lives near Somerset Post-Office, has this season raised forty-five tons of Hungarian grass from twelve acres of land. It is said that Hungarian grass makes excellent fodder for both horses and cattle, and as the growth of timothy is not likely to be successful, those of our farmers who find difficult to obtain a sufficient quantity of native hay might consider the advisability of sowing a few acres of Hungarian grass seed which grows luxuriantly, and produces an abundance of nutritious feed for stock." Hungarian grass forms a splendid crop for cleaning land which may have run to weeds. It can be sown as late as the middle of June and produce a good crop. It can therefore be put in spring ploughing when it would be too late to sow any of the standard cereals. To those having a woody patch we recommend a sowing of Hungarian.

PEDIGREE STOCK FOR MANITOBA.

We take the following from the Northwest Farmer and have to add some of the stock reached here New Year's Day:

We had the pleasure about the middle of last month of seeing Mr. John Sharman, of Sharman & Sharman, Souris, on his way through from Ontario with a car load of pedigree stock for his farm on the Souris River. The lot consists of Short-horn cattle via Sarina and Port Arthur, and though he experienced a very rough passage of ten days on the lakes the animals looked well and none the worse for their long journey. It gives us the utmost satisfaction to chronicle the arrival of such stock in the Province, and it gives us equal pleasure to congratulate the Messrs. Sharman on the foresight and enterprise they have shown in placing a thoroughbred herd in the Souris Valley. They will, no doubt, ere long reap a rich reward for their enterprise, and the farmers in the west are certain to be benefited by having such a class of stock in the west to draw from. In these days of unsatisfactory grain-growing, when snout and snout and low prices have brought farming profits to the lowest ebb, the introduction of this herd is well timed, as experience must prove that to be successful farmers must go more and more into stock. None of the stock brought in will be for sale, but the owners will offer the product to the public, and with such a class of animals farmers will not require to go to Ontario for either bulls or mares. Having begun, Messrs. Sharman purpose following up breeding, and are prepared to introduce other breeds such as Herefords or Friesians in cattle and other breeds of such as are in demand.

Their farms are well watered and sheltered, and very suitable for stock, as the Souris River runs through it and the belt of timber along the banks gives splendid shelter along a fine southern exposure.

Mr. Sharman has promised us the full pedigree of his flock and herd. In the meantime we note that the bull at the head of the herd is a yearling, "Prince James II." His sire is the famous bull "Prince James I," who, as a yearling, and as two and three years old, obtained so many leading premiums at Toronto, London, Hamilton, and Kingston. His dam is "Belle I I," whose great prize record at the same shows will be in the recollection of all stock men. This fine yearling, which gives promise of being superior to his sire, is a roan, was bred by W. G. Pettit, of Burlington, Ontario. Along with him are two cows, one "Scarlet Maid I I I." She is red, bred by B. H. Keen, Freeman, Ontario. Her sire, "Kansas," (B. A. H. B. 577.) She is accepted for registration in Vol. IV. of the British American Herd Book. The other cow "Red Blossom," red and white, was bred by Thos. Alton Appleby, Ontario; her dam, "Appleby Belle," by "Canada Boy," (B. A. H. B. 920.) Next came four heifers: "Red Rose," bred by John Kothergill, Burlington, Ontario; her sire, "Fourth Lord Red Rose," (B. A. H. B. 716.) "Laura," red, bred by A. T. Alton Appleby, Ontario; her sire, "Prince," (B. A. H. B. 1,108.) "Lady Cambridge," dark roan, bred by James Little, Waterloo, Ont.; her sire "Fourth Lord Red Rose," (B. A. H. B. 716.) "June Flower," red and white bred by S. Shantz, Haysville, Waterloo County, Ont.; her sire, "London Duke," (Can. H. B. 5,646.) "June Flower" is registered in Vol. I, page 558, B. A. H. B.

The sheep are pure bred Southdowns, three of the number are imported ewes, bred by J. J. Coleman, England, the others were bred by B. F. Olmstead in the vicinity of Hamilton, Ontario. The fine imported ram which Mr. Sharman purchased for this flock got hurt on the cars and died at Sarina; he is, however, getting another forwarded, which was bred by W. Wilkinson, in the neighborhood of Hamilton.

AMATEUR FISHING.

"Boy, how much do you want for that string of fish?" asked an amateur fisherman on his way home from a day's sport.

The boy named his price.

"All right, there's your money. Now just throw me the fish," and he dexterously caught them.

"Talk about catching fish," he said, as he pursued his way.

PRAIRIE PROVINCE PARAGRAPHS.

Clift for the Mail and Never Stale.

W. G. Scott, who left for Calgary yesterday morning, will occupy the position of local land agent for the Canadian Pacific Railway at this point.

The new elevator at Fort William will be ready to receive grain by January 15. The work has been pushed with remarkable vigor, and will be completed in a shorter time than has been any other elevator of its capacity on the continent.

The secretary of the Newcastle-on-Tyne Farmers Club, England, has written the Department of Agriculture requesting the copies of the crop bulletins and reports may be sent the club regularly as issued.

The Syndicate intend to have the line completed to the Pacific Coast next August.

Policeman Ross, of the Northwest Mounted Police, met a sad fate on New Year's Eve in the Rockies. He left Golden City to work to the third siding, a distance of eighteen miles, but he over-estimated his strength to perform the task. When about eight miles away his strength gave out, notwithstanding all his companion could do, and, benumbed by the piercing air, he sank to the ground. His companion pushed on to the siding for assistance, but it was day-break before he returned with a handcar, and poor Ross was found to be unconscious and fearfully frozen. He was placed on the car, and all possible speed was made in returning, but before the car reached its destination the poor fellow had breathed his last. Ross was a Scotchman, and had no relatives in this country. He was twenty-five years of age.

A hastily-written pencil note reached the Canadian Pacific Railway land office two days ago. It was from L. A. Hamilton, assistant land commissioner of the Canadian Pacific Railway, and announced that he was in the snow blockade on the Northern Pacific in the Rocky Mountains. He had been there for two or three weeks, and saw little prospect of getting out. Supplies were being brought to the snow-bound travelers on flat. The snow, Mr. Hamilton said, was very deep. He did not think the Canadian Pacific Railway would have much to fear from the Northern Pacific as a winter route through the mountains.

Mr. Carl Falk, once British consul at Wisby, Sweden, but who has been in this country for a couple of years, received a telegram from Mr. Norquay yesterday requesting him to report himself at Ottawa, as the government was going to send him to act as immigration agent in the interests of Manitoba.

The Northwoods have arranged to build a flour mill at Carberry provided the by-law authorizing a bonus will carry on the 21st inst.

Portage bakers give 20 loaves for \$1.00.

Four rinks of Winnipeg curlers defeated the Portage club on Wednesday last by 15 points.

The Manitoba Northwestern R. R. will build fifty miles of new road next season. Contracts for ties &c. are being let.

The new heavy engine made by the C.P.R. for heavy work in the Rockies passed west last week. It weighs eighty tons.

BRENDA.

On Tuesday, 39th ult., there was a large attendance at the Napinka School House, to hear the nomination of candidates for municipal honors.

Our popular and genial municipal Secretary-Treas., E. P. Snider, Esq., having called the meeting to order the following nominations took place.

For Reeve—Messrs Pollock and Morrison.

For Ward No. 1.—Messrs. Callendar, Nagguffin and Luke.

For Ward No. 2.—Messrs Yeomans and Hicks. Elected by acclamation.

For Ward No. 3.—Messrs. Livingstone, Anderson and Cole.

After the nominations were over the candidates addressed the meeting and considerable feeling was manifested between the rival candidates for the reeve-ship, for too much bickering and tattle. This is not what we want, but to make a protest against our present outrageously extravagant municipal system. Leave men alone and strike out for economical retrenchment and a cheaper system.

Our esteemed neighbor Mr. Graham has had the misfortune to lose his wife, being the first death in our settlement, much sympathy is felt for Mr. Graham with his vacant hearth.



# A NEW BOOKSTORE.

I take pleasure in informing the Citizens of Brandon and residents of the vicinity, that I have opened a new Book and Stationery store in the

## Post Office Building

Masonic Block, where I should be pleased to meet all in need of any goods in my line.

I will always keep on hand a full line of plain and fancy Stationery, miscellaneous and Church books, and light reading.

ALL SCHOOL REQUISITES,  
LEGAL BLANKS AND  
LEGAL STATIONERY,

Of every description: fancy goods in variety;

## TOYS

for the children, etc., etc.; in fact everything kept in a well appointed business.

I have formed such business connections as will enable me to get anything in any lines not in stock on the shortest notice. Special rates will be given to School Trustees and Teachers, Municipalities and other corporations that require large quantities of anything in my line. Any paper, book, or magazine published, will be secured and sent to any address on the shortest possible notice.

## C. CLIFFE.









## TOWN TOPICS

Mayor Smart, returned from the east on Monday.

Constable O'Keefe, of the C. P. R. was in the city Monday looking after Farmers' Union matters.

Mr. D. C. McKinnon, and wife left for New Orleans on Tuesday. Messrs. Stewart, Brock, Wilson, Reesor, Patterson and others will follow in a few days.

Our citizens cannot longer complain of the price of bread. Three months ago twelve loaves were given for a dollar, and now twenty-three are offered.

H. Crossley, has been very busy this week, on account of the big discomfits he is giving. Don't neglect to give him a call before the first of February.

The officials' duty:  
I would not live always,  
I ask not to stay,  
But I'll miss, Oh! I'll miss  
That munificent pay.

A committee met on Tuesday night to decide on the changes to be made in the city charter. It is understood that quite a number will be made. A report will be given to the council on Monday night.

The report is current on the streets that Conductors Rayer, Finn, Abbott, McFadden, have been dismissed from the C. P. R. service, for collecting passenger fares without giving tickets.

Small numbers of immigrants are arriving from time to time. Yesterday fifteen settlers came in, and this morning about the same number passed through the city on their way west. They will settle in the vicinity of Brandon.—Winnipeg Sun.

They went to the avenue rink together. I do so love skating he sighed. While you are gliding around your soul seems floating away towards heaven—and just at that moment his feet floated away towards heaven and the rest of him smote the icy floor with a mighty snort.

To give the Sittings man his due he is other than slow, but he has been taken in at last. In his last issue he publishes "Two Views of Married Life" as "written for Sittings" by H. J. C. of Portage la Prairie. We read the same piece in an almanac ten years ago.

James Earley, contractor, sent 35 more men to his camp, at the Rockies on Tuesday. Mr. Earley informed our reporter that he has now definite assurance from head quarters that his men will be passed back in the spring. They are making ties for the Galt line which extends 105 miles from Medicine Hat.

The members of the Methodist choir had an escape of their own on Monday evening. They started out for a social at Mr. Vantassell's, about five miles out and got lost on the open prairie. After enjoying the scenery, with the thermometer in the forties, soliloquizing on "the prairie by moonlight," as Nicholas Flood Day-in would say, until about one o'clock in the morning, they succeeded in reaching home safely.

A fire occurred in the building formerly occupied by Carman & Bliss, on Sunday morning. The brigade promptly responded to the call, but the fire was extinguished without the engine being called into requisition. The fire was caused by hot ashes being thrown from the second story. Some coal lodged on top of a window casing and set fire to the wall. All the upper part of the building was filled by dense smoke when the men arrived.

In our last we announced that a pool match for \$50 a side would be played at a City hotel on Thursday night, between Myron of Portage la Prairie, and another. Being requested to do so we published the item in good faith as it is our custom to treat all men as gentlemen until they prove themselves otherwise. Local papers are doubtless very convenient some times, but one trick of this kind generally puts them on their guard.

Word comes from Ottawa to the effect that the province is henceforth to receive \$100,000 a year in lieu of lands, and that a further addition is to be made to our 80 per capita allowance for the future. As Mr. Norquay left Ottawa fully satisfied with fair treatment, it will now be in order for him on his return home to join the malcontents of the country, spurn the offer and set the country on its ears against the Government.

Mayor Smart, sat on his first case in the Police Court yesterday morning.

The young people of the Presbyterian Church are about to organize a literary society and have rented a room on the avenue for that purpose.

There will be a trotting match this afternoon between J. E. Mann's and W. Trench's pacers for \$25 a side. Distance, half a mile heat, best three in five. The race will be run either on Pacific Avenue or on the west end of Rosser.

These endeavoring to re-organize the city band applied to the council for some assistance on Monday night. The aldermen were, however, equal to the occasion and the matter was referred to the Property Committee. There is no such committee in existence.

We regret to learn that Mr. Clement Smith is seriously ill of some dangerous complaint and that Mrs. Clement Smith is recovering but slowly. When the two hearts of a family are down at once, it brings matters to a very sad pass.

We understand there are several cases of diphtheria and scarlet fever in the country around, and the people ought to be very careful. It is well to have a physician summoned at the first stage of disease in every case, lest it might be the commencement of some of those dreadful complaints.

The opponents of the Scott Act are circulating two petitions against it. One of these is addressed to the Senate, the other to the House of Commons. One of the chief requests made is that the majority of resident voters in each constituency be required to vote for the Act before it becomes law.

Mr. F. A. McIntosh, of the Beau-bee sports one of the neatest salicy cutters we have seen. It possesses the qualities of elegance, and lightness in an eminent degree, the whole weighing but 55 pounds. John McNabb, of Brandon, is the manufacturer.

The following is taken from the Buffalo Courier, and refers to a brother of Mr. T. M. Daly, ex-Mayor of this city, a gentleman favorably well known to many of our readers. His friends in Manitoba will be glad to hear of his promotion: "Peter F. Daly has been appointed traveling passenger agent of the Erie, in place of Mr. Webster, resigned. Mr. Daly was formerly with the Hoosac Tunnel line. He is bright, active and capable, and will render good service in his new field of labor."

"The Canadian Florist and Cottage Gardener," is a new Magazine of 32 pages, printed on fine toned paper, published quarterly, at Peterborough, Ont., by Francis Mason, at 25 cents a year, devoted to the culture of Flowers, Fruits and Vegetables. This is just the Magazine that is needed by all who desire to become successful in the growing of plants. The hints and valuable matter in this first number now before us is worth more than the price asked for the whole year. On inspection we see an offer made in the Boys' and Girls' corner, to send to every girl and boy in Canada, who may apply, three packets of Flower Seeds—free gratis, for nothing. Now you understand, boys and girls, so apply at once. The offer is even made to pre-pay postage. We don't see where the profit comes in, unless it is away in the future.

The resignation of Mr. John Spiers, V. S., of Virden, as district veterinarian of the Department of Agriculture, Statistics and Health for the County of Dennis, having been accepted, His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council has, on the recommendation of the Minister of Agriculture, &c., appointed Mr. Frederick Torrence, B. A. V. S., of Brandon, as district veterinarian for the County of Dennis, as well as the County of Brandon. Any persons whose animals are affected with infectious or contagious diseases, or who know of such diseases occurring in either the Counties of Brandon or Dennis, should immediately communicate with Mr. Torrence, that steps may be taken to prevent the spread of the disease.

## SERIOUS ACCIDENT.

A son of Mr. Lounsbury, mill owner, of Millford, had an arm broken, one of his shoulders dislocated and his body badly bruised, by being drawn around a shaft in the mill. Dr. McDonald attended to the sufferer and he will recover. The doctor had his face considerably frozen on the way.

## D. A. REESOR'S JEWELRY STORE.

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## SANTA CLAUS'

Headquarters for Christmas Goods in Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Silverware, Novelities, etc. All are invited to call and examine our elegant display of rich, new designs, and none need feel any obligation to purchase unless so disposed. Drop in and you'll feel repaid.

## Sign of the Horseshoe.

D. A. REESOR,

Practical Watchmaker and Jeweler

The council have decided to petition the Lieutenant Governor in Council to unite the County and City registry offices.

A lamp exploded in the police quarters at three o'clock on Tuesday night. The ceiling was much blackened, and the floor bedewed with oil but a fire did not occur, as the engineer was soon on the scene.

## THE SOUTHWESTERN.

Negotiations looking to the construction of the Manitoba Southwestern Railway, which have been going on between the Canadian Pacific Railway and the Dominion Government for several months, have at last reached a pass when it is all but decided that the road will be built this year. It is announced in some quarters that the negotiations have been completed and that the road will be built.

The Canadian Pacific Railway authorities are now preparing to buy the right of way. It is said that the Dominion Government will give a cash subsidy in lieu of lands, and that this is one of the concessions which Mr. Norquay will bring back from Ottawa.

## THE CANADA GAZETTE.

The following applications to Parliament are Gazetted: Rush Lake and Saskatchewan Railway and Navigation Company, for incorporation to run from a point on the Canadian Pacific near Rush Lake north to the South Saskatchewan.

A charter for the Portage la Prairie and Lake of the Woods Railway and Navigation Company from the Portage to a point on the Lake of the Woods, with power to construct bridges across the Assiniboine and Red Rivers.

A charter for the Rock Lake and Souris and Brandon Railway, from a point at or near the International boundary, near Rock Lake, northwest to Brandon.

A charter for a company to construct a telegraph line between Calgary and Fort McLeod.

## THE SALARY COMMITTEE.

## RETRENCHMENT WITH A VENGEANCE.

This committee brought in the following report:

To the Mayor and the Council of the City of Brandon  
GENTLEMEN.—Your committee on officials and salaries have had two meetings, and beg leave to make the following recommendations:

1st, That the officers of assessor, chamberlain, collector and clerk be combined and give to T. McMillan, at a salary of \$1,100.

2nd, That the present chief of police be retained at \$1000.

3rd, That but one police magistrate be retained, his salary to be \$600.

4th, That the solicitor be retained at \$300.

5th, That the city engineer be retained at \$700.

6th, That the matter of Firemen be referred to the Fire Water & Light committee.

7th that the teamster be paid not more than \$25 per month.

8th, That the Police Magistrate be discharged forthwith.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. G. STEWART, Chairman.

On motion of Aldermen Cameron and Bareley, the first clause was amended by retaining Mr. Martindale, as clerk, at \$300 and Mr. McMillan as assessor collector, and Chamberlain at \$900.

The second and third clauses were adopted, and the fourth amended by adding \$100 to salary of solicitor.

The seventh clause was amended by adding \$5 per month to teamster's salary.

## COMMUNICATIONS

Alexander, Jan. 13th, 1885.  
To the Electors of the Municipality of Whitehead.

MY DEAR FRIENDS AND SUPPORTERS;

I take this opportunity to thank you for your kind and generous support in the late competition for the Reveship of the Municipality of Whitehead, and to assure my detractors and calumniators that their false and unkind statements made against me for election purposes must eventually recoil upon their own heads, as the best guarantee of my public and I may add my private character is in the fact that my own and adjoining townships gave me an almost unanimous vote; and, I will also add that during my canvass I never mentioned politics nor religion, nor took any undue advantage to bias their minds in my favor, nor ever asked the question, who stole McMillan's horses, and so with these few lines of thanks to my gentlemanly supporters and as explanation to my calumniators

I Remain, Yours Very Truly,  
WM. D. BROATCH.

## PROVINCIAL.

The people Qu'Appelle think of bunning a flour mill to the extent of \$10,000.

An agricultural society is being formed at Griswold.

Mr. Alexander Preston, near Beulah, has a cow which recently gave birth to a calf with eight legs, all of the ordinary size.

The straw in a car in which were eight horses for the west, by some means took fire at Wolf Creek, on Thursday's train and seven out of the eight were smothered to death by the smoke and the other one died on its arrival. The car itself was not injured.

## BORN.

HATHERINGTON—On Wednesday the 7th inst. the wife of B. Hatherington, of Eden, of a son.

## DIED.

LEWIS—In the 11th inst. at the residence of her nephew, C. A. Durand Esq. of this city, Louise, eldest of the Rev. Theo. Lew. Cleveland, Ohio.

\$20 IN GOLD OFFERED AS PRIZES for the best four letters on FRIENDSHIP, using the word language in composition. See the Canadian Florist and Cottage Gardener, 25¢ published by Francis Mason, Peterborough, Ont. at 25¢ per year.

10 Packets of Choice Flower Seeds, For Twenty-five cts.

10 Packets of Choice Vegetable Seeds, For Twenty-five Cents.

20 Beautiful Window or Bedding Plants, For One Dollar.

Send for catalogue to FRANCIS MASON, Peterborough, Ont.

## WILSON &amp; CARRICK.

GENERAL

Blacksmiths and Jobbers

West Side NINTH Street.

Between Rosser and Princess Avenues.

BEST HORSE SHOERS IN THE CITY.

Repairing of All Kinds DONE ON SHORT NOTICE.

Gentlemen, give us a call.

WILSON &amp; CARRICK.

N. B.—Wood work done with neatness and dispatch.

## Farm For Sale or Rent,

BEING North half Section 31, Township 11 Range 22. Through this is a running stream and no other water on the farm. Plenty of wood for building, fencing and firing for a lifetime. There is One Hundred (100) broken and backset posts for setting crops. A good orchard 2 1/2 acres. No better wheat land in Manitoba. It is a very desirable farm, and will be sold cheap, or exchanged for landed property in Brandon. Box 42, Souris.

## YOUNG MEN—READ THIS.

THE VOLTAGE BELT CO., of Marshall, Mich., offer to sell their celebrated ELECTRO-VOLTAGE Belt and other ELECTRIC APPLIANCES on trial for thirty days, to men, young or old, afflicted with nervous debility, loss of vitality and manhood, and all kinds of troubles. Also for rheumatism, neuralgia, paralysis, and many other diseases. Complete restoration to health, vigor and manhood guaranteed. No risk is incurred as thirty days trial is allowed. Write them at once for illustrated pamphlet free.

## A SETTLED FACT.

It is a settled fact that Hagar's Vol low Oil is the best household remedy for internal and external use in case of pain, weakness, lameness and inflammatory complaints.

## MORTGAGE SALE

Of Valuable Hotel Property.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain Mortgage (which will be produced at time of sale) there will be offered for sale by

## PUBLIC AUCTION

by R. J. Norton, at his rooms on Rosser Avenue, in the city of Brandon, on

THURSDAY, 22nd JANUARY, 1885.

at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, the following lots, viz:—An undivided one half interest in lots twenty-one (21) and twenty-two (22), in Block forty-one (41) in said City of Brandon, according to a plan of section twenty-three (23), said lots being on the corner of Princess Avenue and Eighth Street.

There is a large frame hotel, known as the Beaudre House, situated on the said lots. The property will be sold subject to a mortgage of \$5,000.

Terms made known at time of sale.

For further particulars apply to the auctioneer or to the undersigned.

HARGREAVES, WILKES & ROSS,

Vendors Solicitors, Winnipeg.

Dated 6th January, 1885.

WANTED—A good servant girl, only those who understand house work need apply. GEO. R. CALDWELL, Barstee, Brandon.

WANTED—Sewing by the day, in families, by a first-class dressmaker, recently from Ontario. Apply at this office.

WANTED—A servant girl, apply at the Grand View.

## NOTICE TO SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

I beg to inform School Trustees in Manitoba and the Northwest, that I have now completed arrangements for supplying every description of wall maps, at the following prices, guaranteed First-class:

Eastern and Western Hemispheres, one map... \$5.00  
Eastern and Western Hemispheres, separate each... \$2.50  
Europe, Asia, Africa, separate, each... \$2.50  
North America, South America, separate, each... \$2.50  
United States of America... \$2.50  
Dominion of Canada, new and enlarged... \$2.50  
Map of Manitoba, new and enlarged... \$2.50

C. Cliffe,

Mail Office, Brandon.